

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1 to 14. (Canceled).

15. (Previously Presented) A decoder device for decrypting encrypted television programs, the decoder device comprising:

a control unit;

an input for receiving the encrypted television program;

a decryption device for decrypting the encrypted television program into a format reproducible by a television set;

an output capable of being connected to the television set so as to output the decrypted television program to the television set for reproduction;

a first interface for interfacing to at least one of a first identification and a first key carrier component for enabling the decryption device, the first interface being disposed in the control unit;

a second interface for interfacing to the control unit;

a third interface for interfacing to a telecommunications network; and

a fourth interface for interfacing to at least one of a second identification and a second key carrier component, an authorization by at least one of the second identification and the second key carrier component being useable for establishing a connection to a subscriber via the telecommunications network.

16. (Previously Presented) The decoder device as recited in claim 15 wherein the fourth interface is disposed in the control unit.

17. (Previously Presented) The decoder device as recited in claim 15 wherein the television set includes a fifth interface for receiving control commands and wherein the control unit is capable of controlling the television set.

18. (Previously Presented) The decoder device as recited in claim 15 wherein the first and the

second identification and/or key carrier components include a respective smart card or a common smart card.

19. (Previously Presented) The decoder device as recited in claim 15 further comprising a sixth interface for connecting the decoder device to a computer, the computer being adaptable for at least one of controlling the decoder device and establishing a connection to a subscriber via the telecommunications network.

20. (Previously Presented) The decoder device as recited in claim 15 wherein the control unit includes a computer, the computer including a seventh interface for controlling the decoder device and including the first and fourth interfaces.

21. (Previously Presented) The decoder device as recited in claim 15 wherein the decoder device is integrated in the television set.

Claims 22 to 27. (Nonelected).